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# TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement in the above-identified application. This Statement is submitted more than three months from the application filing date and after the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits, but before the mailing date of either a final action under 37 C.F.R. § 1.113, or a notice of allowance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.311.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97, this Statement is accompanied by:

[] a certification as required under 37 C.F.R. \$ 1.97(e)(1) or \$ 1.97(e)(2);

[X] the fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. \$ 1.17(p).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees required in connection with the accompanying Information Disclosure Statement, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account

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## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, applicant hereby makes the following documents of record in the above identified application:

#### U.S. Patents

5,843,689	12/1998	Anderson
5,656,446	08/1997	Anderson
5,445,939	08/1995	Anderson

<sup>\*</sup> Applicants reserve the right to challenge the status of any of the cited documents as prior art.

Copies of the aforementioned documents, which are listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449 (submitted in duplicate), are enclosed herewith.

It is respectfully requested that these documents be (1) fully considered by the Patent and Trademark Office during the examination of this application, and (2) printed on any patent that may issue on this application. Applicants request that a copy of Form PTO-1449 (submitted in duplicate herewith), as considered and initialed by the Examiner, be returned with the next communication.

This information disclosure statement is understood to complement the Examiner's own search, and shall not be construed as a representation that a search has been made. The filing of this information disclosure statement shall not be construed to be an admission that the information cited in the statement is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in § 1.56. Applicant reserves the right to challenge the applicability as prior art of any of the above-cited references.

An early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

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